FISCAL NOTE

SB 1389 - HB 1566

April 2, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL: Clarifies language in that section of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Act regarding the grant to the Victims of Crime State Coordinating Council. Allows the Tennessee Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence to submit to the State Treasurer a plan specifying the use of grant monies. Under current law, grant applications would come directly from the Victims of Crime Coordinating Council. Section 2 deletes references to the County Compensation Reserve, which is no longer applicable to the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund. Deletes redundant language concerning the grant. Includes a severability clause in the act.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

As written, the bill allows a different entity to apply for the grant and clarifies or deletes language in several sections of existing law but does not appear to cause any change that would result in increased state expenditures from the fund.

Currently the State Treasurer is authorized to award an annual grant to the Victims of Crime State Coordinating Council not to exceed \$100,000, subject to approval in the State Appropriations Act. This bill allows the award of the grant to the Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, created pursuant to Title 40, Chapter 38, Part 4.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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